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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to DD/I (Planning)
FROM: Assistant Director for Basic Intelligence
SUBJECT: Sample Embassy Instruction on Intelligence Collection

1. The following comments are submitted on the sample instructions forwarded for review by your memorandum of 19 April 1956, subject as above.

2. In our opinion instructions of this nature are highly desirable, and could be put in force in all Embassies with beneficial results. However, modification of these instructions may be necessary in some instances to cope with situations which are peculiar to certain of the Embassies. In some cases the Chief of the Economic Section or some other component of the Embassy may be better suited than the Chief of the Political Section to assume the responsibilities outlined in these instructions. The designation of a specific official in general instructions to all Embassies appears to be too restrictive, and it is suggested that this be modified to permit the Ambassador full freedom of selection for this assignment.

3. It is suggested further that the following be substituted for the penultimate paragraph of the instructions:

"The (designee's) office will serve as the repository of all basic intelligence compilations, and will be responsible for keeping Embassy personnel informed of the availability of NIS sections for reference purposes."

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